

CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION
FOR THE
CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS

Comprehensive Review of the Talbot County Critical Area Program

The purpose of this notice is to announce a public hearing and to solicit public comments about the Comprehensive Review of the Talbot County Critical Area Program, which is under consideration by a panel of the Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays (the Commission). Talbot County approved Bill 1401, to include a new Chapter 190 of the County Code. Chapter 190 includes updates to the zoning, subdivision, and environmental provisions of the Talbot County Critical Area Program. The updates are the result of the completion of the required six year comprehensive review of the County's Critical Area Program and will provide for its effective implementation, including provisions necessary to ensure consistency with the state law and criteria. **Public Hearing:** The Commission panel will hold a public hearing on Thursday, November 29th at 6:30 PM at the Talbot County Community Center in the Wye Oak Room, located at 10228 Ocean Gateway, Easton, Maryland 21601. The purpose of this public hearing is to provide members of the public the opportunity to present the Commission panel with oral or written comments on the Comprehensive Review of the Talbot County Critical Area Program. To the extent possible and feasible, oral, sign language, or non-English language interpreters may be provided upon request. Notify the Commission by November 19, 2018 with these requests at (410) 260-3460 or in writing at the address below. **Public Comments:** Written comments may be submitted by mail to Critical Area Commission, Attn: Jennifer Esposito, 1804 West Street, Suite 100, Annapolis, Maryland 21401, by fax to (410) 974-5338, or by email to jennifer.esposito@maryland.gov. Comments must be received by the Commission by November 29, 2018. If the panel decides to extend the comment period, the panel will announce it at the public hearing. **Additional Information:** The new Chapter 190 may be found online at <https://www.nextstep190.com/>. Questions or requests for more information may be directed to the Critical Area Commission in Annapolis at (410) 260-3460 or to the Talbot County Office of Planning and Zoning at (410) 770-8030.